

# ***PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY PATIENT FACT SHEET***



## ***What is Presumptive Eligibility?***

Presumptive Eligibility (PE) is a Medi-Cal program designed to provide immediate, temporary coverage for prenatal care to low-income pregnant women.

## ***Who is eligible for PE?***

Any woman who thinks she is pregnant and whose family income is under a certain amount is eligible for PE. However, she must seek this care through a participating provider. Ask your provider if he/she offers this coverage and how you can apply.

## ***Will PE pay for the pregnancy test?***

Yes, if you are eligible, PE will pay your provider for the cost of the pregnancy test.

## ***How long will I be eligible for PE?***

You will be eligible for PE until your eligibility for Medi-Cal (or AFDC) is determined. If you fail to apply for Medi-Cal, your eligibility for PE will end at the end of the month following the month in which you first apply for PE.

## ***Will I still be able to get PE while the county welfare department is processing my Medi-Cal or AFDC application?***

Yes, you will continue to be eligible for PE after you apply for regular Medi-Cal (or AFDC) at your local county welfare department until your eligibility for these programs has been determined.

## ***What services does PE cover?***

PE covers all walk-in prenatal care services except for delivery, family planning, or abortion procedures.

***IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
APPLY FOR PE BENEFITS, ASK YOUR PROVIDER.***